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Applicant(s):

Robert J. Small et al.

Title:

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Application No.:

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Le, Thao P.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- (3) Supplemental Transmission (2 pages);
- (4) Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- (5) PTO Form 1449 (1 page);
- (6) 2 References;
- (7) Submission of Formal Drawings (1 page); and
- (8) Formal Drawings (3 Sheets).

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SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Dear Sir:

Formal drawings consisting of Figures 1-4 in the above-named application are hereby submitted. If there are any questions regarding these drawings, please call the undersigned attorney at (415) 318-1160.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION

Sir:

This supplemental submission is made in response to a telephone conversation between the undersigned attorney and the Examiner, in which the Examiner indicated that she would be opening the case for further proceedings, notwithstanding the issuance of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due on November 19, 2003, whereupon she would consider this supplemental submission, as further explained in the remarks below. Entry of this supplemental submission prior to reconsideration of the above-referenced application on the merits, is respectfully requested.

Remarks

A request for continued examination was filed on September 30, 2003. A preliminary submission was filed in this application on October 3, 2003. The subsequent Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due of November 19, 2003, indicated that while the request for continued examination of September 30, 2003 had been considered, the preliminary submission of October 3, 2003 had not. During a telephone conversation between the undersigned attorney and the Examiner on December 8, 2003, the Examiner indicated that the application would be opened for reconsideration, in view of the failure of the Office to consider the preliminary submission that preceded the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due of November 19, 2003. The Examiner further indicated that upon so opening the application, she would then consider this supplemental submission. Such action is much appreciated.

In view of the preliminary submission, and this supplemental submission, including the documents filed herewith, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney as to any matter that might further the reconsideration of this application.

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